

CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

January 16, 2006
7:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Gottman called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Vandalia City Council to order at 7:30 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

Aldermen present were Cable, Bennett, Brosman, Hobler, Duggins, Elliott, and Click. Feldpouch was absent.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was given by all present.

**PAT CLICK RESIGNS AS
ALDERMAN IN WARD I:**

Click announced that he has moved out of Ward I and felt that it would be the right thing to resign as alderman immediately.

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Cable approving the minutes of the January 3, 2006 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

REGULAR BILLS:

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Brosman approving the regular bills as presented. Motion carried.

SPECIAL BILLS:

A motion was made by Cable and seconded by Duggins approving all Special Bills as presented. Arthur Young, Inc. in the amount of \$19,769.93 for a 2006 ¾ ton pickup truck; Burnside, Johnston, Choisser, Sheafor in the amount of \$5,062.50 for

professional services; HCH Administration, Inc. in the amount of \$1,850.00 for legal fees on health plan; Ameren IP in the amount of \$16,028.66 for electric; Vandalia Main Street in the amount of \$7,500. For the second half of city funding; North American Salt Co., in the amount of \$8,336.58 for salt. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Duggins approving the Treasurer's Report as submitted. Motion carried.

**ORDINANCE 2006-1-16-A:
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY &
OCTOCHEM, INC.:**

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Elliott adopting Ordinance #2006-1-16-A Approving Agreement Between the City and Octochem, Inc.

Voting by roll call: Cable, yea; Bennett, yea; Elliott, yea; Brosman, yea; Hobler, yea; Duggins, yea; Feldpouch, absent. Motion carried.

**BIDS TABLED FOR WATER &
SEWER EXTENSION:**

Mayor Gottman announced that the bids for the Water & Sewer Extension to the Holiday Inn Express/Applebee's would be tabled.

**ORDINANCE 2006-1-16-B:
T.I.F. AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
CITY & TJADEN PROPERTIES:**

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Brosman adopting Ordinance 2006-1-16-B, Approving T.I.F. Agreement Between the City & Tjaden Properties, L.L.C. in the amount of \$5,000.

Voting by roll call: Elliott, yea; Cable, yea; Brosman, yea; Bennett, yea; Duggins, yea; Hobler, yea; Feldpouch, absent. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 2006-1-16-C:
AMENDED REDEVELOPMENT
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY &
DENNIS GRUBAUGH:

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Hobler adopting Ordinance #2006-1-16-C, Approving An Amended Redevelopment Agreement Between the City and Dennis Grubaugh.

Voting by roll call: Brosman, yea; Duggins, yea; Cable, yea; Bennett, yea; Elliott, yea; Hobler, yea; Feldpouch, absent. Motion carried.

T21 GRANT PROJECT:

Mayor Gottman announced that a monthly progress report has been submitted by HMG on the Enhancement Streetscape Project.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A motion was made by Cable and seconded by Duggins asking for council approval to again seek bids for the city's high-low water system improvements. Motion carried.

Cable reported that at the next council meeting he will have information on going out for bid to paint the water tower on Fillmore St.

DON THIERRY HIRED AS POLICE OFFICER:

Chief Bob McCart introduced the department's new police officer, Don Thierry.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE TO MEET TO REVIEW ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/TOURISM POSITION:

Mayor Gottman announced that the Personnel Committee will meet soon to review the job description for the proposed combined Economic Development/Tourism position.

Mayor Gottman announced that the EDC Meeting was held at noon today. Some of the committees reported on their goals.

Mayor Gottman announced that EDC Meetings will be held on a monthly basis.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 21st due to President's Day falling on Monday, City Hall will be closed.

Mayor Gottman announced that he along with City Administrator Neibert attended the Rt. 51 meeting in Decatur last week where Gov. Blagojevich was present also.

Elliott announced that the 200th Birthday Celebration of the National Road will be held on March 29th at 10:00 A.M. at the State House in Vandalia.

Elliott reported that plans are being made for the Great Race 2006 that will take place in June. Vandalia is recognized as a pit stop for the event.

Mayor Gottman welcomed Brian Buchheit, Engineer with HMG along with Matt Johnson who serves as a business service manager for HMG was present for the council meeting.

Mayor Gottman announced that he and Neibert will be attending the State of the State address in Springfield on Wednesday.

Mayor Gottman stated that he is in hopes of talking with the governor about the Kaskaskia College Project, along with the Rt. 51 Project and economic development in the area.

KASKASKIA COLLEGE
ANNOUNCEMENT :

Mayor Gottman encouraged everyone to attend the K.C. announcement on January 24th at 7:00-7:15 A.M. at The Depot.

**CHANNEL 9 TO AIR PERFORMANCE
FROM LINCOLN PARK:**

Mayor Gottman announced that footage of the Scott Air Force Band performance in Lincoln Park last fall will air on Channel 9 on the local cable system at 7:00 P.M. on Monday, January 30th.

**SUPPORT FOR SALES TAX
REFERENDUM:**

Brosman noted that anyone who would like to show their support for the upcoming sales tax referendum there are yard signs available. Brosman encouraged everyone to "get the word out".

AUTOZONE TO OPEN SOON:

John Lester, Building Official announced that employees at AutoZone will be stocking shelves next week.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to bring before the Council a motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Elliott to adjourn. Motion carried.

